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Attention: Commissioner for Patents

Attorney Docket No. PD-200020

Please find attached Re:

Inventor: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.

Serial No.: 09/678,441

Filed: October 2, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADAPTING PROGRAM GUIDES TO MEET SUBSCRIBER CRITERIA

- > Amendment Transmittal (1 page)
- > Amendment Response to PTO Communication of July 21, 2005 (13 pages)

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Docket No. PD-200020
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.
Serial No.: 09/678,441
Filed: October 2, 2000

Date: September 13, 2005
Group Art Unit: 2617
Examiner: Annan Q. Shang

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADAPTING PROGRAM
GUIDES TO MEET SUBSCRIBER CRITERIA

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AF
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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated July 21, 2005.

However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

X No additional fee for claims is required.

_____ The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE				
TOTAL CLAIMS	16	minus	44* =	0 x \$ 50.00	\$	-0-		
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					\$	00.00		

Charge \$ 00.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

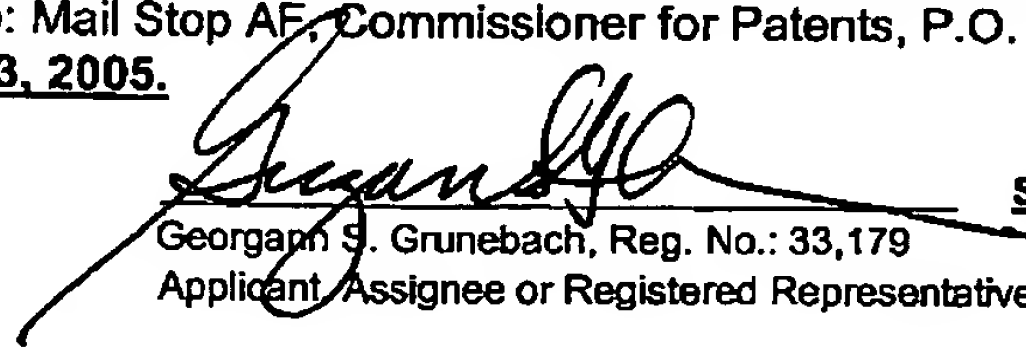
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2617
Due Date: September 21, 2005**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2005, which was made final, please enter the following amendments in the above-identified application.